

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-05

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R 270113Z JUL 76  
FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8597  
INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

UNCLAS CANBERRA 5376

DEPT FOR SY/FO: HONG KONG FOR RSS AND RMO

E.O. 11652 N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJ: MSG VEHICLE ACCIDENT

REF: STATE 184266

1. AT 0600, JULY 20, 1976 THE MSG VEHICLE, INTERNATIONAL SCOUT, DRIVEN BY CPL RICHARD L. HENSLEY WAS TRAVELLING EAST ON BARKLEY CRESCENT IN CANBERRA. THE TWO LEFT WHEELS OF THE BEHICLE JUMPED THE CURB, THE VEHICLE THEN RETURNED TO THE ROADWAY AND STARTED TO SKID SIDEWAYS ACROSS THE STREET. THE VEHICLE THEN ROLLED OVER AND STRUCK A TREE. THE IMPACT CAUSED THE VEHICLE TO SWING AROUND AND THE REAR END OF THE VEHICLE HIT A LAMP POST. THE VEHICLE RIGHTED ITSELF AND CAME TO REST. DISTANCE FROM WHERE THE WHEELS JUMPED THE CURB TO THE POINT WHERE THE VEHICLE HALTED IS APPROXIMATELY 70 YARDS.

2. HENSLEY WAS THROWN FROM THE VEHICLE SOME 30 FEET FROM THE POINT THE VEHICLE CAME TO A HALT. HE CALLED POLICE FROM A NEARBY HOUSE. HE SUFFERED CUTS AND BRUSIES TO HIS HEAD, WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL FOR OBSERVATION AND RE-LEASED. THERE WERE NO PASSENGERS NOR WAS ANOTHER VEHICLE INVOLVED. IT WAS DARK, THE STREET POORLY LIT, AND POLICE REPORTED ROAD CONDITIONS ICY. VEHICLE WAS DEMOLISHED.

3. NCOIC HAS INFORMED RMO AND FORWARDED A PRELIMINARY IN-UNCLASSIFIED

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QUIRY FOR POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF UCMJ, ARTICLES 92, 108,

AND 134 IN THAT HENSLEY DID USE THE MSG VEHICLE FOR HIS  
OWN USE AND RECOMMENDING THAT HENSLEY BE AWARDED OFFICE  
HOURS.

4. COPY OF NCOIC'S REPORT FOLLOWS.  
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